
Introduced by Senator Denham

February 21, 2003

An act to amend Section 36102 of, and to add Section 36013 to, the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 799, as introduced, Denham. Vehicles: registration: exemption: retriever units.

Existing law exempts an automatic bale wagon, as defined, from registration, if the vehicle displays certain identification plates and is transporting baled hay or straw for a distance of not more than 5 continuous road miles on a highway from one parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled by a farmer to another parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled by that farmer.

This bill would exempt a retriever unit, as defined, from registration, if the vehicle displays the specified identification plates and is transporting stacked hay for a distance of not more than 10 continuous road miles on a highway from one parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled by a farmer to another parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled by that farmer.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 36013 is added to the Vehicle Code, to
- 2 read:
- 3 36013. A "retriever unit" is a motortruck or a truck tractor in
- 4 combination with a semitrailer that is equipped with a self-loading

1 bed designed and used exclusively to transport six tons or less of
2 hay in stacks for short distances from the field to a storage area.

3 SEC. 2. Section 36102 of the Vehicle Code is amended to
4 read:

5 36102. The following vehicles are exempt from registration
6 if they have and display identification plates, as specified in
7 Section 5014; ~~and these~~. *These* vehicles, except when operated
8 pursuant to subdivision (k) of Section 36005, ~~shall~~ *may* not be
9 deemed to be implements of husbandry and ~~they~~ shall be subject
10 to all equipment and device requirements as if registered:

11 (a) An automatic bale wagon operated unladen on a highway.

12 (b) An automatic bale wagon, when transporting baled hay or
13 straw for a distance of not more than five continuous road miles
14 on a highway from one parcel of property owned, leased, or
15 controlled by a farmer to another parcel of property owned, leased,
16 or controlled by ~~such~~ *that* farmer.

17 (c) *A retriever unit, when transporting stacked hay for a*
18 *distance of not more than ten continuous road miles on a highway*
19 *from one parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled by a*
20 *farmer to another parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled*
21 *by that farmer.*

22 (d) A motor vehicle ~~which~~ *that* is designed for *hauling*, and is
23 used exclusively to, ~~haul~~ *haul*, feed for livestock, and ~~which~~ is
24 owned and operated exclusively by a farmer or an employee of a
25 farmer. A vehicle exempted by this subdivision may be operated
26 only on those highways that are maintained by local authorities,
27 only pursuant to a permit issued as provided in Section 35780 by
28 the local authority having jurisdiction over the highways used, and
29 only for a distance of not more than five continuous road miles
30 from one parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled by the
31 farmer to another parcel of property owned, leased, or controlled
32 by the farmer. This subdivision does not apply to transportation for
33 compensation.

